

**Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims.

**Listing of Claims:**

- 1-24. (canceled)
25. (currently amended) An isolated protein comprising ~~amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of:~~
- (a) amino acid residues 1 to 63 of SEQ ID NO:41; and
- (b) ~~the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide encoded by the HTELE03 cDNA contained in ATCC Deposit No. PTA 498.~~
- 26-27. (canceled)
28. (previously presented) The protein of claim 25 which comprises a heterologous polypeptide sequence.
29. (previously presented) The protein of claim 25 wherein said isolated protein is glycosylated.
30. (previously presented) The protein of claim 25 wherein said isolated protein is fused to polyethylene glycol.
31. (previously presented) A composition comprising the protein of claim 25 and a carrier.
32. (previously presented) An isolated protein produced by the method comprising:
- (a) expressing the protein of claim 25 by a cell; and
- (b) recovering said protein.

33. (currently amended) An isolated protein consisting of an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of:

(a) a fragment of amino acid residues 1 to 63 of SEQ ID NO:41, wherein said fragment is at least 50 contiguous amino acid residues in length;

(c) a fragment of the polypeptide encoded by the HTELE03 cDNA contained in ATCC Deposit No. PTA 498, wherein said fragment is at least 50 contiguous amino acid residues in length.

34-35. (canceled)

36. (previously presented) The protein of claim 33 which comprises a heterologous polypeptide sequence.

37. (previously presented) The protein of claim 33 wherein said isolated protein is glycosylated.

38. (previously presented) The protein of claim 33 wherein said isolated protein is fused to polyethylene glycol.

39. (previously presented) A composition comprising the protein of claim 33 and a carrier.

40. (previously presented) An isolated protein produced by the method comprising:

- (a) expressing the protein of claim 33 by a cell; and
- (b) recovering said protein.